AUSTRIAN ROUT MAY DECIDE WAR

London Critics Do Not Believe Armies Can Rally from Blows of Russ.

By JOHN L. BALDERSTON.

London, June 18.—When these lines are London, June 18.—When these lines are measure of success has attended Gen. Brussiloff's colossal offensive against the Brussiloff's colossal offensive against the "Their Married Life," produced by Ma-Austrians, which, up to now, has gathered in nearly 200,000 prisoners and in adeted in nearly 200,000 prisoners and in addition probably killed and wounded 250.—"The Married Life of Helen and Wardition probably killed and wounded 250.—"The Married Life of Helen and Wardition probably killed and wounded 250.—"The married Life of Helen and Wardition probably killed and wounded 250.—"The married Life of Helen and Wardition probably killed and wounded 250.—"The physical depression result
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the one topic of conversation in mili-tary circles here, even to the exclusion of Verdun. There are optimists who be-lieve the present campaign in Volhynia and Caller wars the turning role of Other critics think the Germans, after an interval of perhaps a few weeks, will begin a great attack in the northern or central sectors of the eastern front with the object of saving their allies from waiting in so public a place, Helen sought a secluded seat at the end of the corridor. It was now twenty

Brussiloff's attack, it is pointed out here, is far larger than any operation undertaken in the west since the trench war began, larger even than the German attack on Verdun. The troops concerned in the advance are believed to number about 1,200,000 under Brussiloff against 600,000 Austrians and about 60,000 Germans under Count Bothmer, the Archduke Joseph Ferdinand and Gen. Puhallo. Something like 200,000 Austrian reserves have reached Lemberg and the threathave reached Lemberg and the threat-ened railroad junctions since the attack began, but critics here are most skepti-cal about the ability of Marshal Hindenburg to send help from the north.

The Austro-German forces in the A pretty blonde girl, powdering East are separated by the great Pripet her nose with her gold chatelaine marshes. North of this obstable, which is one hundred miles of swamp where important operations are impossible, Hindenburg is in command of forty-eight infantry and ten cavalry divisions, including the Twelfth Austrian army corps, stationed near Slonim, which presumably has rushed to the room, but most of them passed to the room, but most of them passed out, making no pretense at patronat Verdun, so the effective strength of the Germans in Russia is rated in London at not higher than a million men, or about 650,000 rifles.

Where Opinion Varies.

north, or by bringing them south to rally the retreating Austrians. The present campaign proves that the Russians can beat the Austrians if no German troops are present: It has been so since the beginning of the war, and the fullest credit is given by Watching with absorbed interest British military men to the Reserve division of the Prussian Guard, and other German formations, which as usual held fast against all attacks on the Styr and Strypa rivers, in the center of the Austrian lines, and prevented an outer rout.

The main object of the Russian attack is to entrap all of the Austians armies below Lemberg by capturing that great railroad center before the Austrians can accomplish their retreat. At the worst, if the advance is tempo-rarily stopped by the arrival of German troops and by shortage of munitions, the Russian will occupy vastly better posi-tions than those to which they were driv-en last autumn, and will have captured many of the railway lines between the Austro-German army groups.

Hold Austrians Crippled.

Many times during the war it has been said that the Austrian armies were per-manently crippled, and military men here say so now with confidence despite their previous mistakes. It will be quite im-possible, they say, to fill half a million gaps in the ranks when there are no reerves, and as an offensive force the Austrian army need not be considered dur-

It is pointed out that each of the great powers in the war has now undertaken at least one offensive on a grand scale excepting England, which alone has been A tall gray-haired man was opforced to build up an army machine dur-ing the war. Germany, after the war of positions commenced, attacked at Verdun Scotch. and carried out with the Austrians the great drive against Russia last summer; Austria has the Tretino offensive to her credit; France attacked in the Artois last spring and, simultaneously with the fmportant but not great British attack

at Loos, in Champagne last September.
These attacks reveal a fundamental dif-ference between the tactics of the allies and the central powers, and Russia by her present offensive shows that she sides with the French. The theory of the allies is that an attack should be made along a wide front, to prevent the enemy from guessing where the principal blow is to fall and massing reserves to meet it. The bloody check suffered by the French north of Arras last spring, when

Hold Surprise Impossible.

The Germans and their allies, on the other hand, hold that surprise in modern other hand, hold that surprise in modern warfare is impossible, and prefer to atgray suit at the second table!" warrare is impossible, and prefer to at-tack on a narrow front with an over-whelming artillery fire. At Verdun, the blow fell on a front of only five miles, while the Austrians when they attacked the Italians in the mountains of the the Italians in the mountains of the Trentino launched their armies on a seven-mile front, and the great break-through on the Dunajetz River in Galicia last June was accomplished on a front

of four miles.

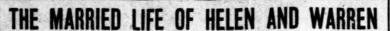
The usual rumors about a separate peace with Austria are in circulation, but are discounted in informed circles. It is pointed out that while no doubt famine conditions prevail in parts of the dual monarchy, Austria is bound up with lect he had always been nunctilious. dual monarchy, Austria is bound up with lect he had always been punctilious Berlin, and she cannot make peace if she hopes to keep the Hapsburg dynasty in power. Since it is the Hapsburg dynasty which controls the empire's diplomacy, for peace to come about at place The fact that Austria and Hungary consider that Serbia is extinct and the country of the Serbia belongs to them some mistake! He was 'phoning to la another obstacle to peace, since the is another obstacle to peace, since the allies are pledged to restore the independence of Serbia.

The attitude of Roumania is being closely watched. At one time last autumn high hopes were entertained that Roumania was about to join the allies; not 'phone? He knew she would be then her relations with the central powers improved and she sold the surplus of her harvest to Germany. The effect of the Russian victories was here. autumn high hopes were entertained that fect of the Russian victories near her borders will be to drive her again into the arms of the entente, diplomats here hope, but her jealousy of Russia and unwillingness to help Russia get the Dardanelles and thus secure a stranglehold on Roumanian commerce complicate the situation.

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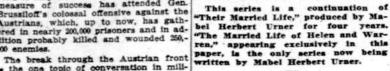


By MABEL HERBERT URNER.

tor of "Their Married Lite," f ---- or of "The Journal of a Neglected Wife," "The Wor A Alone," Etc.

Warren's Flagrant Neglect Incites Helen to a Rash But Futile Rebellion.

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torbilt swarmed with the be-fore dinner crowd. There was and Galicia marks the turning point of tore dinner crowd. There was the war, that the Russians will drive the a continuous stream of fresh arri-Austrians back across the Carpathians vals, most of whom were not guests and force them into a separate peace of the hotel, for at this hour the Other critics think the Germans, after Astorbilt was a convenient and pop-

of the corridor. It was now twenty

How are you, girlie?" The man on the lounge beside Helen rose to greet a girl in an abbreviated checked suit, twenty-button boots, patent leather hat and white fox

which presumably has rushed to the rescue of its compatriots. Hinden-burg's forces are holding a front of 1250 miles from Riga to the Pripet, and have been repeatedly drawn upon by the crown prince to fill the gaps at Verdun, so the effective strength of the Germans in Russia is rated in London at not higher than a million men, or about 650,000 rifles. dressing room, the powder, the service of the attending maid, wrote their notes on the hotel stationery, appropriated a few extra sheets; then met their friends in the corri-Opinion varies as to whether the appropriated a few extra sheets; Germans will try to save Austria by then met their friends in the corrilation a counter-offensive with dor and sailed off to dine at some these troops of Hindenburg in the cheaper or livelier restaurant.

cheaper or livelier restaurant.

Possibly the hotel folks counted on a percentage of future clientele from this seemingly profitless pat-ronage, for they made no effort to

this shifting panorama, it was ten minutes of seven when Helen next glanced at the clock.

Had Warren been detained the office? He was usually most never more than a few moments late.

Anxiously she rose and strolled through to the main lobby. There were countless men in gray business suits and rough straw hats-Warren was not among them. When she returned to her seat was taken. Every chair and it was taken. it was taken. Every chair and lounge that lined the walls of this popular corridor was now filled. Ap-

parently seven o'clock was the universal meeting hour.

Feeling painfully conspicuous,
Helen stood by one of the marble columns. Surely he would not keep her waiting here unless something serious had detained him.

The bronze clock over the arch-

way proclaimed seven. Again she walked through in the vain hope that he might be waiting in the lobby. Passing the men's cafe—she stopped short with a leaping heart

posite him. They were talking and smoking over a leisurely glass of

The blood rushed hot to Helen's face. That he should let her wait for over half an hour in a public corridor while he lounged here! Aquiver with indignation, she Aquiver with indignation, she stood in the doorway expecting him to turn, but, his cigar finished, he drew out another and reached for

the match safe.

Blindly she rushed back through the corridor. Smarting under this humiliating neglect, her mind leaped to action

Her cheeks ablaze, she made for the ladies' writing room. Wit tensely held pen she scrawled:

Beckoning a passing page, trust the note in his hand she thrust the

with an agitated,

to the subway. Her thoughts still chaotic, she reached their darkened apartment. Without even turning on the lights,

Then her leaping hope dropped sickeningly as central drawled, "'Xcuse it, please."

Turning on the lights, she sank on the window seat. Why did he

last on the window seat.

ot telephone nor to come for her.

The long, lonely, wretched even-

The physical depression resulting from no dinner added to her mental distress. She forced herself out to the icebox. There was cold meat and some left-over asparagus, but, too heartsick to eat, she gulped

down a glass of milk. down a glass of milk.

Where was he dining? She pictured him lingering over a carefully-ordered dinner with leisurely indifference. Again her resentment flared up, but only to die down before the realization of his ability to make her

suffer. The old consciousness of beating herself against a stone wall over-whelmed her. Not lately, but in the first year of their marriage, she had flared out at Warren's selfishness, only to recoil in helpless defeat. By ten o'clock she knew that he

was adding to her punishment. He was not coming home after dinner. He had probably gone to the theater. How

How futile—how pathetic had been her uprising! It had only reacted to her greater humiliation. With a feverish headache and a choking pressure at her throat, she made ready for bed.

It was almost twelve before there

came the tensely awaited click of his latchkey. With her arm shielding her eyes, Helen lay feigning Through her closed lids shone the

yellow blur when he turned on the light. Familiar sounds told the light. Familiar sounds told the progress of his undressing.

The glow darkened, and the springs quivered as he got into bed. Now, staring into the darkness, Helen struggled against the impulse to turn toward him—to talk it out—to get his explanation whatever it might be. But his silent remoteness was sternly forbidding. remoteness was sternly forbidding.
The honk of a belated motor grated on the midnight hush. The

bedside clock ticked insistently. While she was trying to formulate seemed some pleading overture, he broke the the des silence with a harsh, "Well, you evening.

"Oh—oh," nestling closer, for even this brusqueness was a relieving break. Then sobbingly, "Oh, dear, why—why did you—"

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"George Winston?" recognizing the name of a prominent Western manufacturer.

"I was to meet him at five-thirty, but a bunch of reporters fairly mobbed him—we couldn't get down to business. He's retained me to do some work on a price mainte-

Warren, I couldn't know brokenly.

I kept you waiting—I had blamed good reason. You for the handle

didn't have to fly off the handle and send in that fool note."

"But afterward—you could have phoned after I got home."

"Could—but wouldn't!" ignoring "Could—but wouldn't!" ignoring the supplicating hand slipped under his shoulder. "You mixed your dose-don't kick if you had to take

it. Missed a corking good dinner too—I'd planned a blowout."
With the memory of her aching loneliness glowed a tantaliz ture of the forfeited dinner. tantalizing pic-

"Did you dine with Mr. Win-on?" hoping the advantage of a longer interview might compensate for their misspent evening. "Dine with Winston? He had a for their misspent evening.

"Dine with Winston? He had dozen appointments after that.

had a snack at the bar and took in a rotten show. Hungry as a bear

Aglow with reactionary relief, she flew out to the kitchen. Just to do something for him, to wait on him, seemed a joyous compensation for the desolate wretchedness of the

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Out of the Letters in This Chart?

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THE PROBLEM

Whether the letters are in regular order, transposed or otherwise scattered about and misplaced, the problem is to collect the letters together so as to form the words "THE UNITED STATES" as often as possible. No individual letter is to be used more than once. It is not possible to use all the letters in the chart.

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS.

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